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Attorney General John Ashcroft
US Department of Justice, 950 Pennsylvania Avenue, NW
Washington, DC 20530-0001
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Dear Mr. Ashcroft:

I am writing to you today to express my support of the Microsoft settlement. Three years have now passed since the inception of this case. During this time, federal resources have been squandered in the litigation process. Given the current state of the economy, the continuation of this case would be a ridiculous waste. Although I do not believe the case should have ever been initiated, I am glad that it may finally be resolved.

Microsoft too wishes to see resolution in this case as is evident by its ability to make concessions regarding the issue. Under the terms of the settlement Microsoft will provide for the formation of a review board. The review board will be a technical review board whose job it will be to oversee the terms of the settlement, and make sure they are enacted. I believe that this stipulation should ease the fears of people who would be wary of compliance.

I hope that the Attorney General will enact this settlement with haste. Thank you for your time.

Sincerely,

Elinor Simmons